APR 1 3 2007

PATENT

Attorney Docket No.: 1998P07977US03

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: STUMER et al.)
	Certificate of Facsimile Transmission
Serial No.: 09/218,783	l hereby certify that this Correspondence including the below
Filed: December 22, 1998	listed number of pages is being Facsimile Transmitted to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the below listed date to the below listed fax number.
For: NETWORK GROUP PICKUP	Date of Trans: April 13, 2007
Group Art Unit: 2614) Fax Number: 571-273-8300 No. of Pages: Ext (1) + RCE (2) + Amd (10) = 13 pages
Examiner: T. Knowlin	By: Jeanette L. Taplin
)

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.114, for the above identified application.

TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

1.	This request is being submitted:				
	i.	[X]	Prior to abandonment of the application		
	ii.	[]	With payment of the issue fee		
			Prior to payment of issue fee		
		[]	Issue fee has been paid but a petition under §1.313 has been granted		
	iii.	[]	Prior to a decision on appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences		
		[]	A notice is being separately sent to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences that this Request for Continued Examination is being filed.		

04/16/2007 TL0111 00000084 192179 09218783

01 FC:1801 790.00 DA

Preliminary Amendment

Atty Dkt No.: 1998P07977US03

Serial No.: 09/218,783

ENCLOSURES

RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER

2. Enclosed herewith is/are:

APR 1 3 2007

- [X] A Petition for Extension of Time for <u>ONE (1)</u> month(s).
- [] Please enter the Amendment submitted:
- [X] Please enter the enclosed Preliminary Amendment.
- [] An Information Disclosure Statement (37 C.F.R. §1.98) with PTO-1449 and references.
- [] New arguments
- [] New evidence in support of patentability
 - [] Other:

FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. §1,17(e))

3. [x] Filing fee has been calculated as shown below after entering the previous amendment (other than small entity):

For	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	x Rate	Additional Fees
Total Claims	27	-27	=0	X \$ 50	\$ 0.00
Indep. Claim	6	-6	=0	X \$200	\$ 0.00
[] First Present	x \$300	\$ 0.00			
Basic filing Fee				\$ 790.00	
				Total	\$ 790.00

4. [x] Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-2179 in the amount of \$790.00. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2179 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.25.

PLEASE MAIL CORRESPONDENCE TO:

Respectfully submitted,

Siemens Corporation

Customer Number: 28524

Attn: Elsa Keller, Legal Administrator Intellectual Property Department

170 Wood Avenue South

Iselin, NJ 08830

David D. Chung, Reg. No. 38,409

Direct Dial: 408-492-5336

Fax: 408-492-2473